

forfeiture; but no person having so testified shall be prosecuted or subjected to any penalty or forfeiture for or on account of any transaction, matter, or thing concerning which he may have testified or produced any documentary evidence: *Provided*, That no person so testifying shall be exempted from prosecution or punishment for perjury: *Provided further*, That the immunity hereby conferred shall extend only to a natural person who, in obedience to a subpoena, gives testimony under oath or produces evidence, documentary or otherwise, under oath.

Proviso.
Perjury.

Immunity extended
to natural person only.

SEC. 3. CONSTITUTIONALITY.—Should any section or provision of this Act be decided by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, the validity of the Act as a whole or of any part thereof other than the part decided to be unconstitutional shall not be affected.

Constitutionality.

SEC. 4. REPEALS.—All laws or parts of laws, insofar as they relate to life insurance companies and the conduct of life insurance business, and in conflict with any of the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed.

Repeals.

SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACT.—This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval.

Effective date.

Approved, June 19, 1934.

[CHAPTER 673.]

AN ACT

To amend section 766 of the Revised Statutes, as amended.

June 19, 1934.

[H. R. 9547.]

[Public, No. 437.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 766 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, be, and it is hereby, further amended so as to read as follows:

United States courts.
R.S., sec. 766, p. 144.
U.S.C., p. 914.

“Pending the proceedings or appeal in the cases mentioned in the three preceding sections, and until final judgment therein, and after final judgment of discharge, any proceeding against the person so imprisoned and confined or restrained of his liberty, in any State court, or by or under the authority of any State, for any matter so heard and determined, or in process of being heard and determined, under such writ of habeas corpus, may be stayed by a judge of any court of the United States in which are pending any such proceedings or appeal. After the granting of such a stay any such proceeding in any State court, or by or under the authority of any State, subsequent thereto pending the final adjudication of such habeas corpus proceedings in the court of the United States shall be deemed null and void. If no such stay is granted, any such proceeding in any State court, or by or under the authority of any State, shall be as valid and of as full force and effect as if no proceedings or appeal in the cases mentioned in the three preceding sections were pending in any court of the United States. No such appeal shall be had or allowed unless taken within three months after the date of the judgment or order complained of. Any proceeding, except final judgment or execution thereof, heretofore taken in any State court, or by or under the authority of any State, for any matter heard and determined, or in process of being heard and determined, in any proceeding or appeal in the cases mentioned in the three preceding sections now pending in any court of the United States, shall be as valid and of as full force and effect as if no such proceedings or appeal had been pending in any court of the United States at the time such proceeding was taken.”

Habeas corpus.
Stay of proceedings
during pendency of ac-
tion in State court.

Appeals.

Approved, June 19, 1934.